

with due regard for differences in program requirements among agencies that may require departures from uniform procedures and processes in appropriate cases, when warranted because of the agency mission;

(2) ensure that the head of each executive agency complies with the requirements of subsection (c) of this section with respect to the agency systems, technologies, procedures, and processes established pursuant to this section; and

(3) consult with the heads of appropriate Federal agencies with applicable technical and functional expertise, including the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the General Services Administration, and the Department of Defense.

(e) Report

Not later than March 1 of each even-numbered year through 2004, the Administrator shall submit to Congress a report setting forth in detail the progress made in implementing the requirements of this section. The report shall include the following:

(1) A strategic plan for the implementation of a Government-wide electronic commerce capability.

(2) An agency-by-agency summary of implementation of the requirements of subsection (c) of this section, including timetables, as appropriate, addressing when individual agencies will come into full compliance.

(3) A specific assessment of compliance with the requirement in subsection (c) of this section to provide universal public access through a single, Government-wide point of entry.

(4) An agency-by-agency summary of the volume and dollar value of transactions that were conducted using electronic commerce methods during the previous two fiscal years.

(5) A discussion of possible incremental changes to the electronic commerce capability referred to in subsection (c)(4) of this section to increase the level of government contract information available to the private sector, including an assessment of the advisability of including contract award information in the electronic commerce functional standard.

(f) “Electronic commerce” defined

For the purposes of this section, the term “electronic commerce” means electronic techniques for accomplishing business transactions, including electronic mail or messaging, World Wide Web technology, electronic bulletin boards, purchase cards, electronic funds transfers, and electronic data interchange.

(Pub. L. 93-400, §30, as added Pub. L. 103-355, title IX, §9001(a), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3399; Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VIII, §850(a), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1847; Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VIII, §810(d)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-210.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VIII, §810(d)(1)], substituted “Not later than March 1 of each even-numbered year through 2004” for “Not later than March 1, 1998, and every year afterward through 2003” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (e)(4). Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VIII, §810(d)(2)], substituted “An” for “Beginning with the report submitted on March 1, 1999, an” and “two fiscal years” for “calendar year”.

1997—Pub. L. 105-85 amended section catchline and text generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subssecs. (a) to (d) requiring the Administrator to establish a program for development and implementation of a Federal acquisition computer network architecture to be known as FACNET.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2000 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106-398 effective Oct. 1, 2000, see section 1 [[div. A], title VIII, §810(e)] of Pub. L. 106-398, set out as a note under section 637 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-85 effective 180 days after Nov. 18, 1997, see section 850(g) of Pub. L. 105-85, set out as a note under section 2302c of Title 10, Armed Forces.

EFFECTIVE DATE

For effective date and applicability of section, see section 10001 of Pub. L. 103-355, set out as an Effective Date of 1994 Amendment note under section 251 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 252c of this title; title 10 section 2302c.

§ 426a. Repealed. Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VIII, § 850(b), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1848

Section, Pub. L. 93-400, §30A, as added Pub. L. 103-355, title IX, §9001(a), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3400, related to Federal acquisition computer network implementation.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective 180 days after Nov. 18, 1997, see section 850(g) of Pub. L. 105-85, set out as an Effective Date of 1997 Amendment note under section 2302c of Title 10, Armed Forces.

GAO DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBLE AGENCY CONTRACTS

Section 9004 of Pub. L. 103-355 required Comptroller General to submit to Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy and congressional committees, not later than 3 years after Oct. 13, 1994, a report on classes of contracts in amounts greater than micro-purchase threshold and not greater than simplified acquisition threshold that are not suitable for acquisition through a system with full FACNET capability, and authorized Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council, not earlier than 3 years after Oct. 13, 1994, to make determination that such class or classes of contracts were not suitable for acquisition through such a system, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title VIII, §850(c), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1848.

§ 427. Simplified acquisition procedures

(a) Requirement

In order to promote efficiency and economy in contracting and to avoid unnecessary burdens for agencies and contractors, the Federal Acquisition Regulation shall provide for—

(1) special simplified procedures for purchases of property and services for amounts not greater than the simplified acquisition threshold; and

(2) special simplified procedures for purchases of property and services for amounts greater than the simplified acquisition threshold but not greater than \$5,000,000 with respect to which the contracting officer reasonably